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In re Application of: Yamada et al. Express Mail Label No. EV 181427063 US Serial No: 09/763,836 Dated: January 27, 2003 Filed: June 8, 2001 I hereby certify that this paper (or fee) For: Nucleic Acid Sequences and is being deposited with the United Methods for Enhancing Expression Postal Service "EXPRESS States of a Useful Gene **MAIL POST OFFICE** TO ADDRESSEE" service under 37 CFR Group Art Unit: 1636 §1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Commissioner for Examiner: Pappu, S.S. Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231. Richard Zimmermann

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and the continuing duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, a copy of a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO/SB/08A are hereby submitted by the Applicants for consideration in connection with the above-identified patent application. The relevant documents were revealed to the Applicants by way of an Australian Office Action and a Supplemental European Search Report. All documents listed on the enclosed PTO/SB/08A are enclosed herewith.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is not intended to be an admission that a search has been made, that other relevant art does not exist, or that any of the information disclosed herein constitutes prior art under 35 U.S.C. § 102 and § 103.

This information disclosure statement is filed after receipt of the first Office action on the merits. Enclosed please find a check for a payment of the \$180.00 fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c). The Commissioner is hereby

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